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SALE AND AWARD OF \$34,680,000 DORMITORY REVENUE BONDS, SERIES S.U.I. 2015

<u>Action Requested</u>: Consider adopting the following resolution, subject to receipt of acceptable bids:

A Resolution providing for the sale and authorizing and providing for the issuance and securing the payment of \$34,680,000 Dormitory Revenue Bonds, Series S.U.I. 2015, for the purpose of paying a portion of the costs of constructing and equipping a new residence hall for student housing and related facilities, funding a debt service reserve fund, and paying costs of issuance.

(ROLL CALL VOTE)

Executive Summary: The Board is asked to consider adoption of a resolution providing for the sale and issuance of Dormitory Revenue Bonds for the University of Iowa. Proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used to fund the Madison Street Residence Hall – Construct New Facility project, which will provide housing for approximately 1,050 students and provide dining services for 2,000 students. This bond issue is the first of three series of bonds for the project. At its March 2015 meeting, the Board approved the schematic design, and project description and budget (\$95 million) for the project. The University's Residence System is a self-supporting operation and receives no state appropriations.

Principal on the bonds would be repaid over a period of 22 years, with interest only payments in FY 2016 through FY 2018. Principal and interest payments are estimated to gradually increase from \$1.6 million in FY 2019 to \$2.4 million in FY 2023 and then remain level through FY 2040. Payments would be made from the net rents, profits and income of the Residence System. Interest on the bonds would be exempt from federal and state taxes (double tax-exempt) for lowa residents who purchase the bonds.

<u>Additional Information</u>: Under the provisions of <u>Iowa Code</u> §§262.55 to 262.66, the Board is authorized to construct, equip, improve, repair, remodel, operate and maintain residence halls and dormitories, including dining and other incidental facilities, at the universities. The Board is further authorized to borrow money to finance the construction or improvements and to refund such indebtedness.

The \$34,680,000 bond issue is expected to include:

- project costs (estimated at \$31,650,000);
- debt service reserve (estimated at \$2,469,000);
- underwriters discount (estimated at \$416,000); and
- issuance costs (estimated at \$142,000).

The receipt and opening of bids is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 5, 2015, and the award is scheduled for later that day.

The official statement for the bond sale may be found on the website of Springsted, Inc., the Board's Financial Advisor, at http://www.springsted.com/.

A copy of the resolution, which was prepared by Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. and reviewed by Springsted, Inc., is available from the Board Office.

Specifics of the bonds are:

Average Maturity: 16.27 Years

Bonds Dated: September 1, 2015

Interest Due: July 1, 2016, and each January 1 and July 1 to maturity

Interest Exemption: Exempt from federal and state taxes for individual purchasers

who are residents of lowa

Principal Due: July 1, 2019 – 2040

Optional Call: Bonds maturing on or after July 1, 2026 are callable commencing

July 1, 2025 and any date thereafter at par

Denomination: \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof